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TOPIC Soviet Troops in Mauer Gehling, Klosterneuburg, Stockerau and Korneuburg

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REMARKS

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1. On 5 December 1951, Soviet troops wearing black-bordered red epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets were quartered in half the buildings of the former federal insane asylum in Mauer Gehling (O 49/W 26). The other half was still used for mental patients. The Soviet-occupied section included three motor vehicle sheds which could accommodate about 60 vehicles. No weapons were parked there. Sentries at the quarters wore black-bordered red epaulets. Only a few officers and NCOs wearing black-bordered red epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets, respectively, were seen travelling between the railroad station and the quarters. Trucks driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets and artillery insignia, and driven by a soldier with black-bordered red epaulets, 25X1C 25X1
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2. On 3 December, eight tanks, apparently of the T-34 type, stood in front of the garages of the former Pionierzeugamt in Klosterneuburg (O 49/S 30). \* Jeeps and trucks were also seen there. Tank trucks were also parked near the fuel dump. A group of about 40 unarmed soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were drilling. Trucks driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, entered the former Pionier Kaserne. 25X1C 25X1C
3. On 4 December, four canvas-covered AA guns of a light caliber were seen in the Prinz Eugen Kaserne in Stockerau (O 49/S 21). About 100 troops were drilling with rifles in the barracks yard. Other soldiers practiced with an AA machine gun on a tripod. Trucks entered the installation, driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets. Officers observed included two lieutenant colonels and three majors, all wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Jeep and tank truck all driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, entered the Jaeger and Artillery Kaserne. No weapons were seen there. 25X1C 25X1C
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4. It was learned in Vienna, in November 1951, that a signal unit of the 13th (ds Mecz Div, which was previously stationed in the barracks installation in Korneuburg (P 49/X 49). It could not be determined whether the signal unit concerned was still stationed there in November 1951. \*\* 25X1C

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\* Comment. The tanks probably belong to the 129th Tank Bn of the 40th Gds Mecz Regt.

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\*\* [redacted] was mentioned in several documents found in Austria. It is believed to belong to the signal battalion of the 13th Gds Mecz Div. In World War II, the 139th Sig Bn belonged to the 13th Gds Rifle Div which, after the war, was reorganized into the 13th Gds Mecz Div. The signal battalion probably did not change its numerical designation. Soviet troops wearing signal insignia were repeatedly observed in the barracks installation in Kagan in 1949 and 1950.

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